

# HOUSE BILL No. 1028

## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 12-10-17.1; IC 12-15-34-15.

**Synopsis:** Home health care. Requires an individual to register with the division of aging (division) before the individual may receive compensation for providing attendant care services. Requires an individual in need of self-directed in-home care and a personal services attendant to submit their services contract to the division, and requires the division to keep the contract on file. Requires the division to provide a list of personal services attendants registered with the division upon request. Requires an individual in need of self-directed in-home care to direct deposit and perform other deductions upon the request of the individual providing attendant care services. Requires the division and the office of Medicaid policy and planning to ensure that self-directed in-home care is available throughout Indiana. Requires certain home health agencies to report specified information. Requires the office of the secretary of family and social services to study certain information concerning self-directed in-home care and to report the results of the study to the legislative council not later than September 1, 2009. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the health finance commission.)

**Effective:** Upon passage; July 1, 2009.

**Day**

January 7, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1       SECTION 1. IC 12-10-17.1-11, AS ADDED BY P.L.141-2006,  
2       SECTION 44, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3       JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 11. An individual who desires to provide  
4       attendant care services must register with the division or with an  
5       organization designated by the division **before the individual may**  
6       **receive compensation for providing attendant care services.**

7       SECTION 2. IC 12-10-17.1-12, AS ADDED BY P.L.141-2006,  
8       SECTION 44, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
9       JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 12. (a) The division shall register an individual  
10      who provides the following:

11          (1) A personal resume containing information concerning the  
12          individual's **address**, qualifications, work experience, and any  
13          credentials the individual may hold. The individual must certify  
14          that the information contained in the resume is true and accurate.  
15          (2) The individual's limited criminal history check from the  
16          Indiana central repository for criminal history information under  
17          IC 10-13-3 or another source allowed by law.

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(3) If applicable, the individual's state nurse aide registry report from the state department of health. This subdivision does not require an individual to be a nurse aide.

(4) Three (3) letters of reference.

(5) A registration fee. The division shall establish the amount of the registration fee.

(6) Proof that the individual is at least eighteen (18) years of age.

(7) Any other information required by the division.

(b) A registration is valid for two (2) years. A personal services attendant may renew the personal services attendant's registration by updating any information in the file that has changed and by paying the fee required under subsection (a)(5). The limited criminal history check and report required under subsection (a)(2) and (a)(3) must be updated every two (2) years.

(c) The division and any organization designated under section 11 of this chapter shall maintain a file for each personal services attendant that contains:

(1) comments related to the provision of attendant care services submitted by an individual in need of self-directed in-home care who has employed the personal services attendant; ~~and~~

(2) the items described in subsection (a)(1) through (a)(4); **and**  
**(3) a copy of a contract entered into between the personal services attendant and an individual in need of self-directed in-home care.**

(d) Upon request, the division shall provide to an individual in need of self-directed in-home care the following:

(1) Without charge, a list of personal services attendants who are registered with the division and available within the requested geographic area.

(2) A copy of the information of a specified personal services attendant who is on file with the division under subsection (c). The division may charge a fee for shipping, handling, and copying expenses.

**(e) The division shall provide the list of personal services attendants registered under this chapter to a person upon request. The division may charge the person a fee for copying expenses.**

SECTION 3. IC 12-10-17.1-16, AS ADDED BY P.L.141-2006, SECTION 44, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 16. **(a)** The division shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 concerning:

(1) the method of payment to a personal services attendant who provides authorized services under this chapter; and

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(2) record keeping requirements for personal attendant services.

**(b) An individual in need of self-directed in-home care shall do the following upon the request of the individual's personal services attendant:**

**(1) Directly deposit the personal services attendant's wages by electronic funds transfer or other method into the specified personal services attendant's account in a financial institution.**

**(2) Make other deductions and other deposits specified by the personal services attendant, including the following:**

**(A) Payments:**

**(i) on a policy of insurance; or**

**(ii) into a health savings account.**

**(B) Pledges or contributions of the personal services attendant to a charitable or nonprofit organization.**

**A deduction made under this subsection must comply with IC 22-2-6-2(a)(1)(A) through IC 22-2-6-2(a)(1)(C) and IC 22-2-6-2(a)(2).**

SECTION 4. IC 12-10-17.1-17, AS ADDED BY P.L.141-2006, SECTION 44, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 17. **(a)** The individual in need of self-directed in-home care and the personal services attendant must each sign a contract, in a form approved by the division, that includes, at a minimum, the following provisions:

(1) The responsibilities of the personal services attendant.

(2) The frequency the personal services attendant will provide attendant care services.

(3) The duration of the contract.

(4) The hourly wage of the personal services attendant. The wage may not be less than the federal minimum wage or more than the rate that the recipient is eligible to receive under a Medicaid home and community based services waiver or the community and home options to institutional care for the elderly and disabled program for attendant care services.

(5) Reasons and notice agreements for early termination of the contract.

**(b) The individual in need of self-directed in-home care and the personal services attendant shall provide the division with a copy of the contract required in subsection (a).**

SECTION 5. IC 12-10-17.1-22 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 22. **(a) The division and the office shall ensure that self-directed in-home care is available in all areas**

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of Indiana for the community and home options to institutional care for the elderly and disabled program and the Medicaid program.

(b) If a local area agency on aging is unable to perform the fiscal intermediary services required for self-directed in-home care, the division or the office may contract with a person to provide these services.

SECTION 6. IC 12-15-34-15 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: **Sec. 15. A home health agency that participates in the Medicaid program or the community and home options to institutional care for the elderly and disabled program established by IC 12-10-10-6 annually shall report to the office the following:**

(1) Annual costs that include the following expended for an employee who provides home health services:

- (A) Wages.
- (B) Benefits.
- (C) Payroll taxes.
- (D) Mileage reimbursement.

(2) Overhead.

(3) The percentage of reimbursement received from the state that is used to compensate employees who provide home health services.

(4) The number of consumer service hours provided by the home health agency.

(5) Amount of the home health agency's revenues and expenditures for the following programs:

- (A) Medicaid.
- (B) Community and home options to institutional care for the elderly and disabled program.

(6) Employee turnover information.

(7) Whether the home health agency compensates for the following:

- (A) Time spent in travel by an employee to provide home health services.
- (B) Travel costs.

(8) The average mileage and time spent in travel by an employee to provide home health services.

SECTION 7. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The office of the secretary of family and social services shall study and report the following information for the calendar year 2003 and each

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- 1 subsequent year:
- 2 (1) The number of home health care workers who provide
- 3 services to a recipient in the following programs:
- 4 (A) Community and home options to institutional care for
- 5 the elderly and disabled program.
- 6 (B) The state Medicaid program.
- 7 (2) Whether the home health care services are provided by a
- 8 home health agency or by consumer directed care.
- 9 (3) Demographic information for the individuals using
- 10 consumer directed care.
- 11 (4) The process an individual must follow to be approved to
- 12 use consumer directed care, including the time it takes for an
- 13 individual to get approved and receive services, and whether
- 14 this time varies according to the area of Indiana in which the
- 15 individual lives.
- 16 (5) The status of implementing consumer based care
- 17 throughout Indiana.
- 18 (6) Results from interviewing area agency on aging staff
- 19 concerning the barriers in using consumer directed care.
- 20 (7) Surveys of individuals participating in consumer directed
- 21 care on why they chose this option.
- 22 (b) The report required in subsection (a) shall be submitted in
- 23 an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 to the legislative council not
- 24 later than September 1, 2009.
- 25 (c) This SECTION expires December 31, 2009.
- 26 SECTION 8. An emergency is declared for this act.

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